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Local events and happenings round and about

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Sorry everyone, such a rush to get this out in time that many dates have been missed from this Diary Dates section.

Also, we didn't have time to check and update the list of councillors on page 19.

Our Celtic odyssey - part 2 - himself on the summit of Goatfell on the Isle of Arran, with the Kintyre peninsular in the distant background. At around 2800ft only a little hill, not even a Munro, but not too bad for a 78 year old unfit lowlander. We promise that this and the accompanying article on page 11 will be an end to Earney self-indulgence.

Photo - Matt Searles

At the risk of boring you all, its development again!

Homes to live in, perhaps gardens to enjoy, green spaces for recreation, footpaths into the countryside - and being a village. Everyone needs somewhere to call their own - we mustn't forget that. But to become part of a busy traffic filled town or city with its bright lights and pollution?. We need to preserve our village identity. That is what this earlier 'September/October' Review is all about.

To give you time to read the information on planning issues on pages 8 and 9, to take note of the deadlines for comments and to decide how you can help to stop us becoming a dormitory town of Witham and even Chelmsford. Time is short, the date for submissions to be considered for both Stonepath Meadow (140 dwellings) and land adjacent to Gleneagles Way (120) is 27th September.

This is not nimbysism on the part of the village, this is protecting our vital green spaces; we have identified in our Neighbourhood Development Plan sites suitable for development that do not encroach on our few treasured views - Hatfield Peverel is not Constable Country after all.

Dr Simon Butcher is leaving our practice

Ken Earney

Back around the turn of the century I listened to one of the weekly series of programmes devoted to medical matters on Radio 4. The topic was the various non-verbal techniques that a good physician might use to get a rapid initial diagnosis of a patient's problem. One stuck in the mind - just look at the patient as he/she approaches you for the appointment, observe the walk, posture and any other non-verbal mannerisms that might give a first clue as to the problem.

On going for my first appointment for a medication review with Simon in 2003 he watched me carefully from the consulting room as I approached him from the waiting room and was reminded of this and thinking "This man really is on the ball". This struck home more forcefully two years later. I had presented on the Friday of a bank holiday weekend with headaches over the eyes and stiff neck. He was unable then to pinpoint the problem then, asked for tests to be carried out and that I see him again the following week after a short trip to the Baltic capitals. The headaches continued over the weekend and I had to make two visits to out-of-hours practitioners which yielded inconclusive results. But when I presented to Simon with a glorious shingles rash over the left eye his immediate reaction before I had chance to utter a word was, "Ah, now we know what the headaches were all about". Tallinn would have to wait.

The first observation is clearly one of the tricks in his diagnostic toolkit, just look carefully before listening to what the patient is saying, an indication of a first-rate GP. That first impression has stayed with me and been amplified by the good care and service I've received from him over many appointments in the intervening years.

Dr Butcher, I'm sure I speak for most of your patients when I say that we are sad to see you go and will miss you very much. The best of good fortune in whatever you will be doing from now on.

Flu vaccination dates 2017

You are entitled to a free vaccination if you are 65+, pregnant or have a serious medical condition.

The dates for the influenza vaccination are as follows

The Laurels, Boreham - Saturday 30th September 2017, 8.00am to 12.30pm

Sidney House, Hatfield Peverel - Thursday 12th October 2017, 8.30am to 18.00pm

Vaccinations also available by booked appointment at Boots Pharmacy in Hadfelda Square. Contact the pharmacy for details.

Harvesting in full swing on the allotments

Sean Pettit HPAA Chairman www.hpaa.org.uk

Autumn is fast approaching and harvesting is in full swing. Great bumper crops of tomatoes along with fantastic beans, but a mixed bag with my potatoes due to the light rainfall earlier in the growing season. I am already planning my plots carefully for next year where I will be hoping for even better results than this year (you have to hope, don't you?). Got my seed catalogues on order and reading up on some new crops. One of our members has been growing sweet potatoes so going to follow some of Steve's tips and try my hand at them next year!

We have been busy with working parties, building new facilities to benefit our members with a grant from the Lottery Fund which we were thrilled to receive earlier this year. This has been put to good use; creating a wildlife area on the new site, reinstating a pond area and tidying up the site. We would like to thank the National Lottery Fund for helping us out with funding.

On to some unfortunate news, some very dishonest people having been targeting our allotment sites again and breaking into sheds, stealing members belongings but largely discovering that there is nothing worth stealing. Can I ask all residents of Hatfield Peverel, Neighbourhood Watch, everyone please to report all suspicious behaviour to the police so we can catch those doing this. It may be your garden shed, garage or worse still your home they target next.

We have a couple of plots available on the old site for those wishing to start allotmenting and we will be happy to welcome all interested in taking up this rewarding pastime, so get in touch. It is not too late to get crops in the ground and start harvesting this year! Telephone 01621 859629 or 07966 662556, email chairman@hpaa.org.uk

Happy growing and a healthy life.

Grow for bees

Way back in June last year Sean spoke about the bees who had taken up residency on the new site - by kind permission of the Allotment Association and the Dengie 100 & Maldon Beekeepers Association! In locations where bee hives have been placed (the apiary on our site has two hives and is managed by local beekeepers) pollination levels have increased dramatically, hopefully increasing yields of fruit and vegetables - **have you noticed larger yields?**



We have had an email from Carlie Mayes, secretary of the DMBKA who, with Darren Burge, was instrumental in setting up our apiary on the allotment. Bees are under stress: there have been more about this year than last, but they still need our help. Carlie writes

We are keen to encourage local residents to become involved with bees in whatever way they can. Are you interested in

Keeping bees, problems with swarms, bumblebees or other types of bees

Courses and workshops on keeping bees, **Gardening** for bees and other pollinators

Protecting bees and other pollinators, **Providing beekeepers'** with land to keep bees

Donating to research on bees and other pollinators

Buy local honey for sale

Join the beekeepers now - email for more information or visit our website www.dmbka.org.uk or contact Carlie Mayes, Secretary 07979 862952 secretary@dmbka.org.uk Dengie 100 & Maldon Beekeepers

Au revoir - not goodbye!

Kathy Meads retirement from St Andrew's Junior School Office

At an afternoon tea retirement party at Prested Hall in September, we extended an enormous **thank you** to Kathy Meads who has served St Andrew's so incredibly for over 25 years – a quarter of a century or more! I wondered how many children, teachers, teaching assistants, mid-day assistants, parents, governors, Essex Advisors and Ofsted Inspectors she has seen in her time here ... this could be a 'greater depth' maths problem for some of our Year 6s to work out!

I do know that I am the third Headteacher who has had the privilege to work with her. Kathy's unwavering commitment to the school and everyone connected with it is well known to us all. She has so much time for everyone and has worked so hard for us all, always with the desire to see the school succeed and flourish.

We are losing a significant member of the school family, but we know it is not a 'Goodbye', but merely an 'Au revoir' as Kathy has already promised to come in and help out as a volunteer! Thank you so much, Kathy – we all wish you a long, happy and thoroughly deserved retirement.

Chris James, Headteacher



How does your fuschia grow?

Trina Butcher, publicity, (01245 380532)

The Horticultural Society's Autumn Show is fuschia time when everyone entering the annual competition gives their plants a little TLC to get them looking good for judging. It's potato weighing time too, but by now TLC and water will not be enough! **Below is a reminder of some of the classes you can enter - its never too late.**

Autumn Show, Saturday 30th September

Judging in the morning, 2pm open for visitors

Thirty vegetable classes to enter - you must have something on your allotment or garden to beat all others? Perhaps the novelty classes - heaviest onion, potato or marrow, or the longest

runner bean? Its chrysanthemum and dahlia time too, as well as handicrafts, cookery and photography. Get busy and swell the number of entries to make this a special day. **You can see a copy of the schedule in the library, look on our website www.essexinfo.net/hatpevgardens or ring Trina on 01245 380532.**

Future dates for your diary

1st November Intersociety Quiz

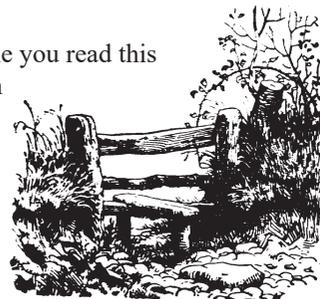
7.30pm St Andrew's Church Hall

8th November Annual General Meeting and pumpkin competition (heaviest wins the cup)

8pm St Andrew's Church Hall. Spring bulbs for the competition available. And a glass of wine and a piece of cheese!

Parish Council News

Our Parish Clerk, Lisa Miller, has moved on to pastures new, and by the time you read this report will be working within a neighbouring parish. Hatfield Peverel Parish Council would like to thank Lisa for supporting them so professionally over the past eight years and wish her every success in her new job. At the September meeting Lisa was presented with a voucher, flowers and a card, and best wishes for the future.



Important - new contact details

Telephone number for Hatfield Peverel Parish Council is 01245-382 865

email address parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk.

Address Parish Office, Community Centre, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel, Chelmsford, Essex CM3 2HP.

Information and updates can be found on our website: www.essexinfo.net/hatfieldpeverel

New members join Parish Council

We are pleased to announce that we have recently welcomed three new members to the Parish Council; Cllr Kevin Gallifant, Cllr Marel Elliſton and Cllr Mike Renow, all three have already made a valuable contribution and we hope they will find their time with HPPC rewarding.

Regretfully, three councillors have recently resigned, and the Parish Council would like to express its sincere gratitude to Les Priestley, Peter Endersby and George Boyd-Ratcliff for all for their hard work and service to our community.

The Parish Council has other vacancies, therefore if you are interested in local issues and would like to help the community please contact the acting chair, Mark Weale, on 01245-381 726 to discuss what is involved. In brief, there is one full council meeting per month, and if you wish, you can join one or more of the working parties or committees who concentrate on specific issues. There are regular training courses available (not compulsory), which are free for Parish Councillors to attend, all designed to enhance your knowledge of local council issues and procedures.

If you do not wish to become a Parish Councillor, it is still possible to make a valuable contribution by supporting one of our Working Parties; for example Traffic, Environment, Community Park, Footpaths etc. We look forward to hearing from you.

Planning

All planning meetings are open to the public. Notification of these meetings will be erected in the village notice boards three clear days prior to each meeting.

The following applications have recently been made

Erection of single storey side extension, loft conversion and change of materials to facades, together with erection of a detached outbuilding at Yvonne Steward House, The Street. Erection of conservatory at Farthing Cottage, 2 The Street. Erection of front and rear extension together with alterations at 1 Priors Farm Road. Proposed new entrance at Smallands Cottage, Spring Lane.

The following applications have recently been granted

Erection of a single storey rear extension, single storey front extension and conversion of existing garage to playroom at 4 New Road. Erection of two storey and single storey front extensions at 45 Baker Avenue. Repair and reconstruction of timber framed barn and change of use to class B8 at Wick Barn, The Wick Farm, Terling Hall Road. Erection of single storey side extension at Badgers Oak, Nounsley. Erection of single storey front extension to existing garage at Startling, Peverel Avenue. Erection of single storey rear extension and internal alterations at 5 Rye Close.

The following applications have recently been refused

Application for outline planning permission with all matters reserved for the erection of 1 detached dwelling on land adjacent to Oakleigh Lodge, Crabb's Hill. Erection of two storey dwelling with associated garage and cart lodge at land adjacent to Walnut Tree Cottage, The Street. The following applications have recently been withdrawn: Application for variation of conditions 1 & 2 of approved application at Grove Lea, Maldon Road.

Tree Preservation Orders

Tree works at 7 The Pines and 1 St Andrews Cottages, Maldon Road – passed to tree warden.

Website - don't forget you can view all Parish Council news on their website which can be found at: <http://www.essex.info.net/hatfieldpeverel/>

Meetings of the parish council will be held on Monday 6th November and Monday 4th December 2017 in meeting room 1, village hall, starting at 7.30pm.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2017

Peter Archer, Branch Secretary 01245 381286/
email hatpevrb@aol.com

House to house/static collections officially **begin on Saturday 28th October**. If you are able to take a tray of poppies and collection box to your work place to help raise our village total, I am happy to supply.



Sunday 12th November at 3pm a service of Remembrance will take place at St Andrew's Church. An ex-Royal Marine and specialised fund raiser will be giving a short talk. All are welcomes to this friendly all-family service

Our Party in the Park stall raised £114 - many thanks to all contributors.

Thank you for such a friendly welcome

I just want to say what a lovely place Hatfield Peverel is, everyone is so friendly and helpful, a real community feel. I have been here less than two years and met some special people.

I have recently had an op and my new friends help has been immeasurable, they set up a rota to walk the dog, watered the garden, checking up on me, doing shopping. A great big thank you to all and to my daughter and family for looking after me so well.

Margaret

Do you qualify for help from the Hatfield Peverel Feoffees?

Notice is hereby given that applications are again invited from those who might qualify for help from the Feoffees Charity. In view of the desire of the Feoffees to help where there is real need, attention is drawn to the following.

The Feoffees cannot apply its income to:

- a The relief of taxes or rates, or use the monies where Social Security Benefits would apply
- b The giving of recurrent grants
- c Any applicant who is not in genuine need, or is undeserving of help.

Applications must be sent **in writing by 5th November 2017** for the annual distribution.

Applicants **must** include:

- a The reason for the request
- b The applicant's age
- c The applicant's residential address.

Applications must be sent to

The Chair of the Feoffees, c/o Quince Lodge,
The Street, Hatfield Peverel, Chelmsford, CM3 2DY.

Correction - 'History in the making' August Review

I was a little adrift with the area figures in paragraph 3. The area of the Marconi site at Derrigimlagh was 310 acres (I said 300) and my conversion to metric was wrong by a factor of 10; 310 acres is approximately 125 hectares. Thanks to Ron for spotting it.

Stonepath Meadow, Gleneagles Way, the former ARLA site, Sorrell's Field and Bury Farm - the latest

Susan Warrant

There seem to be mixed messages going round the village regarding new developments, and the latest information in Your Village Voice is not quite up-to-date.

Clarification (as at 05/09/2017)

The Appeal by Gladman on 80 dwellings on Stonepath was dismissed in July 2017. **It's still not over - Gladman will now be challenging the Planning Inspector's decision in the High Court.** This will take several months.

Braintree District Council's (BDC) planning committee has approved the following sites

140 dwellings on Stonepath Meadow; 120 dwellings adjacent to Gleneagles estate; 145 dwellings on land at Station Road (former ARLA site); 46 dwellings on Bury Farm.

The 52 dwellings on land at Bury Lane (Sorrrells Field) has yet to go before the committee, but we expect it to be approved.

Stonepath and Gleneagles have been 'called in' by Rt Hon Sajid Javid (Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government), so the results of these applications (while approved) cannot be finally decided by BDC. There will be an inquiry by an Inspector from Her Majesty's Planning Inspectorate; date to be advised, but probably February 2018. Inquiry reference numbers are: APP/Z1510/V/3180725 and 3180729. **Residents' support at the Inquiry will be welcome, though restraint and courtesy to the Inspector is vital on this occasion. Neither site is included in Braintree's Local Plan.**

Residents who made written submissions to the BDC Planning Committee in connection with the original applications have been advised by BDC that further objections and comments must now be submitted either at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs or by emailing peter.kozak@pins.gsi.gov.uk (Peter Kozak is the inspector at the inquiry). If you do not have internet access you can send three copies to Peter Kozak, Room 3/). Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Bristol BS1 6PN. **Responses must not go to BDC and the date for submissions is the 27th September 2017.** You don't have long to do so!

Representation will be made by the Stonepath Meadow Residents Group (under Rule 6) and by the Gleneagles Residents (as interested parties). In addition, at the Council Meeting on 4th September, Hatfield Peverel Parish Council (including the Neighbourhood Plan team) voted to apply for Rule 6 in respect of both sites. Rule 6 gives parties enhanced status and access to all documents, consultation and cross-examination.

The developers will be supported by their own barristers and solicitors and, in order to match the level of expertise on planning law in defence, residents will need a considerable amount of legal advice which will cost. There is a crowd-funding page on Just Giving (just type Stonepath on the Just Giving page to access it). Here is the address:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/stonepathmeadowinquiry>

While under the heading of Stonepath, there is a lot of two way communication and help going back and forth between Stonepath and Gleneagles. If you do not have internet access perhaps you could donate through a friend who does (it doesn't have to be a large sum – donations start from £2 and £5 from a lot of households will greatly help). This page will close on 18th December 2017.

Please stand by all of us and support your village.

Residents show support for NDP Report

The appointment of Examiner, Mary O'Rourke of Intelligent Plans and Examinations, was confirmed during August, and all documents were submitted to her by BDC. The Examination is now in progress.

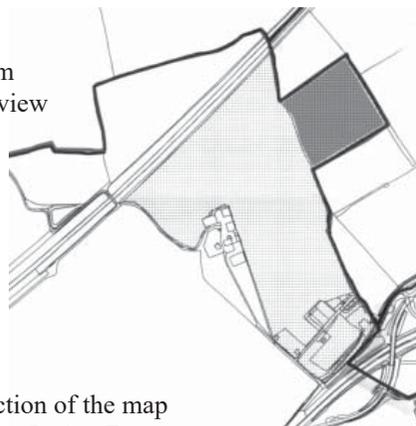
A survey was also carried out in August when residents were asked to show their support for the Neighbourhood Development Plan. 570 people responded of which 549 said 'Yes', 18 said 'No' and 3 did not tick the box! Thank you to everyone who made the time to complete the survey, and also to those who helped with printing and distributing the forms. Further analysis of this result can be found on the HPPC website.

When coming to his decision in that inquiry in May for the 80 dwellings at Stonepath Meadow, the Planning Inspector said that "...the NDP is material to the determination of this appeal.....and it provides a useful indication of the planning aspirations of the local community." He afforded it significant weight.

The formal referendum for the Plan will be held by BDC early in the New Year, please show your support. Please also check the Parish Council website for updates in relation to the examination process and referendum.

Development at Wood End Farm

At the end of July Hatfield Peverel residents received a letter from Braintree District Council detailing the aspects of its current review of the overall governance and administration of all town and parish councils within the district council boundary, and focussing on the appropriateness of three aspects, the one of most significance to us being parish boundaries. It invites comments on the intention of the council that any development on land at Wood End Farm, currently within Hatfield Peverel's parish boundary (the bold black line) be included instead within an extended Witham Town Council boundary. It is not about changing parish boundaries.



The letter was accompanied by a map extract - on the right is a section of the map showing the whole of the shaded area scheduled for development. The Lodge Farm development currently in progress includes the dark shaded square field nearest to existing Witham dwellings.

You are invited to submit any comments you might wish to make by 30 September 2017 via:

BDC website at www.braintree.gov.uk/CGR

Email CGR@braintree.gov.uk/ or in writing to:

Community Governance Review

Causeway House

Braintree CM7 9HB

Points that you may wish to consider when making your comments:

- * the dwellings eventually approved and built on this land will count not towards Hatfield Peverel's quota towards the District Council's 5-year house building requirement, but Witham's.
- * Hatfield Peverel's Neighbourhood Development Plan calls for the preservation of the open land separating the communities of Hatfield Peverel and Witham. Development now in progress cannot be stopped, and that which is beyond the point of no return in the planning process must be the limit. No more.

You can find further information on the review on the BDC website at www.braintree.gov.uk

'Towards Terling'

Hatfield Peverel Walkers, Graham Bushby 380372

On our August walk, the fourth in Catherine's book, we parked on the apron at Terling Hall Farm with three cars and upset nobody in the process! The walk itself, using the map and words, was a bit of an experience and really needs quite a large re-edit and map re-draw but is quite an interesting walk.

(We haven't included any of the other walk descriptions for obvious reasons, they are a detailed survey of each of Catherine's walks so that the booklet can be republished, but this is the last one, infrequently walked, so may be helpful to anyone contemplating it before the update appears. Ed.)

Where to park to start is obviously now an issue but the track start is indicated and clear. It is when you get to the end of the track and go through a kissing gate that a bit of intelligence is needed as there are no FP markers and you have to cross the field diagonally to reach the track referred to, as well as the kissing gate which is just past the first pond shown on the map.

We are now at the point where the track (solid line to Terling Hall Farm and the wood with five trees and the walk route - dotted line) - converge and both sides of the walk route are now effectively ploughed fields either side with a grass track path, which presumably is the new footpath designated by the land owners but not marked. There is no trace of the second pond to the right of this footpath. The re-routed footpath passes to the left of the lone tree (on the outward journey) and kinks round to the right by the dark line and then left to join the road. The route seems quite logical.

The next part of the route along the road past the side of the cottage and down the dip is fine and then there is confusion! There are several tracks leading to the road and some have been cut/mown. It is further confused by a FP post in the middle of the field which has several FP signs in all directions. We followed the one which took us to the road by using the farmers field edge (where there was no FP sign) and ten metres down the road was the official FP post and sign pointing

into an overgrown footpath, which would have taken us to where we had been walking before we spotted the FP post in the middle of the field. (confused - we certainly were!)

From here on the route is pretty much as per the book and map (Deviation FP 26/22 noted) and of course you can now stop off at the Owls hostelry in Terling by the Village Hall - which we did - and then retraced our steps. There were nine of us on a very pleasant sunny day and distance wise it was about 4.5 miles.

Our next walks are 28th September, 26th October, 30th November, meeting at 10am in the village hall car park. Please check with Graham first as we do often go further afield using car share.

How to become a writer

Hadfelda WI - Marel Elliston



Our July speaker had to cancel as she is shortly moving to the USA but luckily for us, her friend and fellow author, David Evans, stepped in.. He gave us an informative talk, describing how he became interested in writing, and the help and encouragement he received from existing authors. Eventually he took up writing full time and has sold many books both in the UK and abroad.

Next year's programme was discussed and the members decided to cancel the usual December meeting and have our 'special Christmas' speaker in November. Pam Shoebridge entertained us with a very funny poem about the WI.

In August Frances Harper filled the hall with delicious cooking smells as she demonstrated Microwave Cookery. Her recipes were varied and interesting, including a sponge cake, as well as the usual meat, fish and vegetable dishes. We were not allowed to sample any of these appetizing meals due to 'Health & Safety' regulations Theresa Hovell read an amusing poem reflecting the changing meaning of words over the years.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 27th September with speaker Frances Boardman, her subject 'Famous Women and why Croissants aren't French' We meet in St. Andrew's Church Hall at 7.45pm.



Celtic Odyssey part 2

7.14am Wednesday 13th September, we've been up all night, partly me to blame as I wiped a page-

worth of copy off

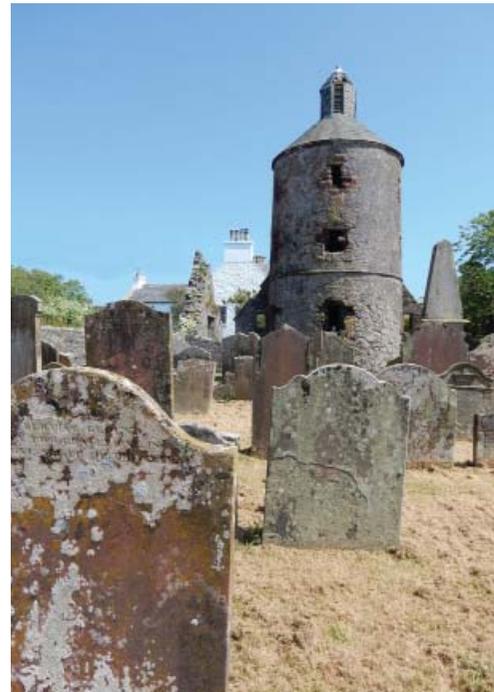
Review! Celtic odysseys are far from my mind, a nice warm bed would be better. Porridge is on the way

Happier times! Bottom right: after missing our ferry from Ireland had to spend unscheduled night in Port Patrick where we visited this ancient church. Top right: Sarah and me lurking in the doorway of their gardeners cottage at Brodick Castle on Isle of Arran, known as Scotland in miniature. A delightful home but very cold, fresh air fiends like their windows open. View of Goatfell (around 2800 feet), from Brodick, in the distance Top left: Clearer view of the mountain that Ken climbed and damaged his back - see front cover. Left prehistoric standing stones on Machrie moor on the west coast of the island. Bottom left one of regular ferries which ply between Ardrossan on the Ayrshire coast and Brodick on the Isle of Arran.



A great holiday destination for walkers and cyclists who board the ferries in their lycras and hare round the 56 mile coast road

its glorious views and coastline. Golf is popular too, and the local distillery at Lochranza and a brewery just outside Brodick are popular with visitors and locals. A great place to visit.



More than alive and kicking!

Hatfield Peverel Cricket Club - Paul Thorogood (07793 125951)

With the curtain coming down on the 2017 season, as Chairman I have great pleasure in reporting that the club is still alive and kicking. It had been well documented that we at Church Road were in big trouble and maybe even on the brink of folding. Through hard work within and much help from outside, we have had a successful 12 months enabling us to steady the ship dramatically.



We still remain vulnerable but maybe out of intensive care. Congratulations to our Saturday team who have won their league, winning 14 games of 18 played. They are now promoted up to Division 6 in 2018.

We have returned to Sunday cricket for the first time in years and successfully for filled all but 1 of our matches. We hope to increase this part of the fixture list come next year. Tuesday evenings are now buoyant with the 'All Stars'. They really are a very enthusiastic, loud and proud, welcome addition to HPCC life. We have had a small number of keen youngsters throughout the summer. It has been difficult to compete with our local peers but all matches were fulfilled.

The biggest success however is undoubtedly the fact that we are in a much better place overall than a year ago. Our neighbours will have noticed that there is much more going on over our lovely ground than in recent years. Functions of all types, during winter as well as the busy summer, has ensured the foot fall is high and the feeling of being part of a bustling cricket community once again. Whilst many hurdles still lie ahead, we can confidently move forward into our brighter future. *Many thanks, Paul.*

We will again be organising a Guy Fawkes firework display this year. Details will be advertised around the village as well as on social media very shortly. **See you there!**

A great season for the club

Hatfield Peverel Football Club - Terry Lingley
terrylingley@hatfieldpeverelfc.co.uk

We enter September with a mixture of pride and excitement, pride at the development of the club in the 2016/2017 season and excitement as we look forward to 2017/2018. Looking back we saw some fantastic cup success, not only did every team at every age group reach the semi-finals of their cup competitions but we saw our U17s, U14s and U13s all play in cup finals.

We welcomed into league football our U10 Diamond Girls football team, saw our Men's team runners up in the Essex & Suffolk Border League Knockout cup final and our Ladies team received their first piece of silverware winning the Essex FA 5 a side tournament. Our U11 Diamond Girls played Futsal in the 2012 Olympic Venue. The Copper Box and our U11 Hawks and U9 Pirates were both recognised for their sportsmanship by the Blackwater and Dengie league.

Off the pitch we have been accepted onto the Jack Petchey charity scheme and congratulated our inaugural winner Madi Hooper for all her hard work with the club at our annual awards ceremony. We have donated old boots to support the Boots2Africa charity and continue to invest in our facilities on site.



Looking ahead, we welcome our newest team to league football, the U7 Hurricanes as well as our first development squad, helping to bridge the gap from Youth to Men's Football as Hatfield Peverel A join the Pope & Smith Sunday team. With record numbers of players registered we are hoping for more on field success this season.

Training for children aged 4-6 years on Saturday mornings 9.30 - 10.30am as we look to bring through the next batch of footballers into Hatfield Peverel FC.

Outside season comes to a close

Rita Thomson, Bowls Captain (01245 380038)

The season has gone so fast - friendly matches have been enjoyed and several won. But it's having a nice game and meeting old friends that makes the afternoon. Inside bowling most afternoons, and the friendlies on Friday evenings have been very successful, winning all home games! The strawberry tea for our Presidents' charity (Age UK) was a great day and made £300.



The Chelmer ladies final took place on 6th September. Congratulations to Sheila Butler and Rita Thomson for winning the Plate competition, beating two players from Chelmsford. Many thanks to those who came and gave us their support. We have four more friendlies to play - Witham, Castle Point, Writtle and RHP. Games played on 12/13th September will be reported in the Christmas issue.

Then we will spread 4 tons of feed and weed on the green and give it a rest for the winter. Many thanks to all bowlers for their help and support.

Members needed for new season

Table Tennis - Chairman Andy Simmonds
01245 381020 or 07932 057 205

We have 4 teams in the Chelmsford League which started in September and are looking for additional experienced players.

Teams entered in last year's Chelmsford League from Division 2 down to Division 5 all did well. The new season has started: Tuesday 19th September is the last of our practice evenings, when new members, male or female, may come along to get to know us and possibly join one of our competitive teams for the coming season.

If you wish to play non-competitive social table tennis, the village hall has its own table - contact Alan Benfield on 07741 140732. On the social side in November we have a visit to

Romford Dogs for a meal. New players are welcome: leave your details with Secretary Neil Freeman, 01245 382249 or Andy Simmonds, numbers above.



All Saints Church, Ulting
Saturday 14th October 2 pm – 4 pm

MUSIC BY THE RIVER
FEATURING

**A Medley of Magical Music from
Mozart to Musicals**

**Abbeygate Trio (clarinets/bassoon)
Bassoon duet
Violins
Piano
Bagpipes
Several Solo Singers**

**Wine & Light Refreshments
Tickets £10 (includes ticket no prize)**

**Further details from Carole Hodgkins
01245 381749**

St Andrew's Church Hatfield Peverel
Saturday 23rd September 7.30pm

An Evening Concert
featuring

**Naomi Poole (cello), Matt Archer (flute)
Paul Strong (piano)
play easy listening music**

**Men of St Andrew's
with a selection of a capella
four-part male voice material**

Wine and light refreshments, tickets £10

Special dates in the village hall

Come along and enjoy yourself, all welcome

**Karaoke Disco Saturday 23rd September non
members £2**

Singer Gary Gibson Saturday 28th October.

Torrential rain at the treasure hunt then saintly sipping in November!

Peverel Wine Club – Vee Green, Secretary (01245 355723)
www.peverelwineclub.co.uk or email
peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk



Our August meeting was to be a walking treasure hunt around Danbury followed by supper at the Griffin. The weather had other ideas and presented us with incessant torrential rain! Treasure hunt organizers Steve and Anne Spearman resourcefully came up with a last-minute quiz and nobody minded spending a bit longer in the Griffin arguing over the quiz answers before our excellent supper. The treasure hunt will wait quite happily for another year, and all were grateful not to be out in the deluge!

In September we returned to the safe haven of the village hall for the first meeting of the autumn programme when our Chairman, Graham Bushby led a tasting entitled One Grape/Several Countries, exploring how wine from the same grape can taste so different from one country to another, especially when comparing Old World with New World wines.

It doesn't feel like 12 months since our last AGM, but the date has come round for our 40th Annual General Meeting. We shall be looking back on the events of the Club's Ruby Anniversary year, and thinking of further delights for the 2017/2018 programme at our meeting on 11th October.

November's club night falls on Wednesday 8th November, when we shall enjoy a light-hearted tasting of wines named after various saints, both famous and obscure, as a slightly-belated commemoration of All Saints' Day on 1st November. We can't guarantee great vintages from St Emilion or Nuits St Georges, but there will be interesting wines and interesting tales to tell!

If you'd like to join us for a light-hearted evening at any time, you would always be very welcome, but please give Vee a ring beforehand to confirm attendance (and to ensure we have enough of everything to eat and drink!) on 01245 355723. The Club meets normally on the second Wednesday of the month at 8pm in the Village Hall, but with some exceptions, so it is worth phoning first, especially during the summer months.

The Wine Club has its own website, courtesy of the skills of Fred Brown, and this can be accessed either via the Hatfield Peverel community site at www.essexinfo.net/hatfieldpeverel/clubs-and-societies/ or direct via www.peverelwineclub.co.uk. Take a look to find out a bit more about the Wine Club, its activities and its 40-year history before you come along!

Silver Sunday Tea Dance

Activities Co-ordinator
Nicola Wallace 01245 380750

Join us for our Silver Sunday Tea Dance on 1st October 2 - 5pm at Hatfield Peverel Lodge, Crabbs Hill, Hatfield Peverel CM3 2NZ.

We would love to see people there from our local community - you are all very welcome. Ring Nicola on the number above for information.

Barn Dance with Metric Footband live!

Helen Rollason Cancer Charity

Saturday 7th October Woodham Walter village hall 7.30 - 11pm. Tickets £7, bring your own food and drink. This local group will keep your feet tapping! Contact 01621 859202 for more information.

HRCC Monthly coffee mornings in The Street 10am - 12 noon, third Saturday in month - 21st October, 18th November. Books, cakes and friendly chat.

Festive supper at After-eight Social Club

Saturday 14th October Cold Norton Village Hall. Doors open 7.30pm, dancing to 'Top Deck' disco. Admission: members £8, non members £10. **No bar - bring your own drinks please.**

The club runs activities every month of the year - quiz nights, meals out, coffee evenings, excursions. **For further details call Mike on 01621 856219**

www.aftereightsocialclub.co.uk

Edward Bear at St Andrews

In July we said goodbye to our children who are going off to school. They enjoyed the church service for the last time, followed by some yummy cakes. Edward Bear reopened on 7th September

We were sad to hear the news about Marianne passing away, she served teas at Edward Bear for many years. Our thoughts are with her family.



The right book for your child

P (Picture books) - Books with a blue P sticker to read to your child.

L (Learning to read) - Books with an orange L sticker for children who are beginner readers.

Y (Stories for younger readers) - Books with an orange Y sticker for children who are starting to read independently.

S (Stories) - Books with a yellow S sticker for confident readers.

O (Picture books for older readers) - Books with a yellow O sticker.

S+ (Stories for older readers) - These novels with a green S+ sticker are aimed at older children who enjoy a longer read.

YA (Young Adult books) - These books are aimed at young people aged 12-16 and include novels/information books - look for a red YA sticker.

Children's information books - non-fiction books for all interests and ages, they have a subject number on the spine.



Library times

Hatfield Peverel	01245 380988
Tuesday, Thursday	1 - 5pm
Wednesday, Saturday	9am - 1pm

Edith Lilian Royffe - known to us all as Pat 1923 - 2017

Before coming to Priory Farm Road with her husband Ted, Pat lived in London. She worked as a clippie on the London buses, and later with London Transport. She and Ted, who was a printer, settled into village life and she became involved with council work.

I was on the Parish Council with Pat in the 1980s, I always thought of her as the lady of the lamps; we of the village reported the ones that had gone out (each meeting there were always a few) and Pat sorted it.

She was a good caring Parish and District Councillor, very involved with the housing needs of local residents, taking up their problems with the District Council. She called a spade a spade and was a good friend to anyone who needed help. She was a Governor at the Infant School - she enjoyed chatting to the children - and a leading light in the Community Association when the village hall was being built and afterwards taking bookings for the hall and manning the door.

She loved her knitting and was a very active knitter - but not on a machine - her speciality was pictures on jumpers.

Methodist Church

A thank you from Rev Sue

'Thank you for your wonderful send-off service with so many attending from the village who have been part of my time with you. Also, thank you for the generous gifts. It has been an enormous privilege to be your Minister and I leave with so many memories'.

Feeding the five thousand

We welcomed back Val Carter to lead our worship on 6th August; she took as her service theme the well known Bible story of Jesus feeding the crowd with just 5 loaves and 2 fishes provided by a boy in the gathering. Val introduced us to the website the 100people.org which asks - if the population of the world was only 100 people what would it look like? From the statistics produced 50 would be male and 50 would be female, 75 would be adults, 25 children, 86 would be able to read and write, 14 would be illiterate, 78 would have a place to shelter, 22 would not, 1 would be dying from starvation, 11 would be undernourished, 22 would be overweight, 91 would have access to clean water, 9 would not have safe water to drink.

Reflecting back to the Bible story, Jesus fed the 5 thousand using what was offered. In our 21st century where 88% of the population has adequate or more than enough food it would not take a miracle to feed the remainder of the world. If individuals, governments and nations captured the message in this Christian story the hungry millions could be fed and given access to clean water.

New Minister arrives for our Church

On Wednesday 30th August we joined with our fellow congregations from around the Chelmsford Circuit to welcome our new Minister, Rev Barry Allen and his wife, Ria, at a service in our Witham Church attended by our District Chair, Rev David Chapman. Rev David reminded us that as Barry commits to serving us in this area we are all servants of God and we should be representing our faith by supporting justice, truth, freedom, compassion and care to show that we belong to a Christian community of faith.

Rev Barry has thanked us for his welcome and the thoughtfulness which has gone into preparing for his arrival from South Africa, and he already feels he is coming home to a loving family. At time of writing we are looking forward to our first service with him, our Harvest Festival on the 10th September, when we will be sharing a lunch with him and Ria so we can get to know one another.

This Harvest time we will be continuing to support the Methodist Charity All we Can project to provide pig farms with piglets to vulnerable widows in Cameroon. Here widows can lose all their possessions and hope due to the discriminatory practices that these ladies face if a husband dies. £267 pays all the construction costs for a pig farm and animals which will provide a sustainable and secure future for each woman. If you would like to make a donation, bring it along to our Church to add to our pot as we seek to reach our target to provide a unit.

Looking ahead

As autumn approaches we will be collecting gifts of clothing and toys to fill shoeboxes which are transported to poorer European and African countries to be delivered to children who would not otherwise get a present at Christmas. The scheme which can be researched under Samaritans-purse.org.uk collected over 11million boxes in 2016. Help us to add to that total in 2017 and continue the impact which a gift, packed and sent with love across the world, can have on an individual child.

Regular events

Sunday 11am Morning Service – all welcome
Thursday 10am -12 noon Open Door, come and join us for tea/coffee and friendly chat
2nd Saturday in month 10am - 12 noon
Coffee morning and cake stall
3rd Monday in month 7.30 - 9pm House group
Bible study

First sermon wins top prize

Winner of the National Sermon of the Year competition 2017 with her first-ever sermon is Carole Hodgkins who attends our St Andrews Church in Hatfield Peverel and All Saints Ulting.

Carole read about the competition in The Month, the Church of England in Essex and East London magazine. It is the second year London School of Theology (LST) and Preach magazine have held a national competition to celebrate and reward excellence in preaching. Having never written or preached a sermon she decided to give it a try.

Carole describes the experience as challenging and exciting - her sermon is a personal testimony of her journey through bereavement and how it affected her life and faith. She strongly believes the church must connect with the real-life struggles faced by people.

To reach the final of the competition at first attempt and to be winner is amazing. The first round involved writing sermons on the subject of 'God in the dark'. The four finalists were invited to preach their sermons live in June at the LST to an audience and panel of judges and their vote was Carole (*see centre in above photograph*).

Not a regular churchgoer myself, I was very moved by Carole's sermon, it was brilliant, touching and thought-provoking. Many congratulations to her.

Operation Christmas Child

St Andrews will be collecting items for Christmas shoe boxes in October, ready to pack in early November for children in African and poorer European countries who would otherwise have no presents at Christmas.

If you can help with donations of toiletries, toys, sweets (not chocolate), stationary, knitted scarves, hats and gloves, and cuddly toys, we would be most grateful.



Internal Organists' festival

Mother's Union - Jean Ashby

In September our speaker - and an organist at St Andrews Church - Paul Strong gave us a fascinating talk, illustrated with slides and video clips, of what happens at an International Association of Organists Festival which he attended in Oxford.

Around 120 organists from all over the world were there, and there were lectures, master classes, organ demonstrations in venues in several different Oxford colleges, including Eton College and Blenheim Palace. Paul had a great time.

At our meeting in October John Strange will tell us some of the history of our church.

Luncheon Club at St Andrews

The club meets on the second Tuesday every month (12.30pm start) in the church hall. A two-course meal with tea or coffee costs £3

Soup and sandwiches

On the fourth Tuesday in the month (12.30pm) soup and sandwiches in the church hall

Transport can be arranged for the luncheon club and soup and sandwiches.

For information please ring Belinda Hull on 01376 512540 or 07854 122 728.

Maldon Film Club

Maldon Town Hall 8pm

The club opened on 12th September and will be held on every other Tuesday for the remainder of the Autumn. Published programme may be subject to alteration

The programme until Christmas is as follows.

Tuesday 26th September Dheepan

Tuesday 10th October Hunt for the Wilderpeople

Tuesday 24th October The Unknown Girl

Tuesday 9th November A United Kingdom

Tuesday 21st November The Eagle Huntress

Tuesday 5th December Julieta

Tuesday 19th December Social evening

For information

www.maldonfilmclub.info

01621 869340

email info@maldonfilmclub.info

Fauré's Requiem for All Souls' Day - Sunday 5th November 5pm

In the peace, calm and tranquillity of the candlelit Church of St John the Baptist, Danbury, join the choir and their friends for a service of 'All Souls', featuring Fauré's Requiem. Everybody is welcome to join us.

If you are a singer and would like to join the choir for this service, please speak to Paul Hagger on 01245 400079 before 7th October. If you wish to commemorate a departed friend or relative at this service, please email Paul (paulhagger@btinternet.com) with their name for inclusion on the list of the faithful departed.

Singing to the wrong tune!

Oops! Sorry Eddie for the misspelling of Arla (Aria twice). The problem was that following the scan of your letter the OCR programme read the l as an i and because the whole thing was done in rush before going away - two days late - we didn't have time to proof read and correct it. Sorry about that - it's no comfort to you to know that you won't be the only one!

Ten important ideas that shaped human development



We look forward to seeing you at our Autumn WEA course 'A History of Ideas', with our tutor Edward de Maunsell. Term starts on **Tuesday 26th September**, 10am - 12 noon, Scout and Guide HQ in Church Road. There will be no half term break.

This ten week course identifies ten important ideas that shaped our development - Renaissance, Reformation, Enlightenment, Industrialisation, Ideologies, Feminism, Darwinism, environmentalism, postmodernism, Islam. What has been the impact on society from these ideas. Enough to wet your appetite?

Autumn evening programme

Tuesday 3rd October, 'The Great War - one man's diary' tutor Roger Cooke

Tuesday 7th November, The London Underground, tutor Tony Earle

Tuesday 5th December, The history of the Langford/Strutt family, tutor John Smith.

All talks are in the Methodist Church hall, Church Road, Hatfield Peverel, at 8pm. Cost £5 per person including refreshments.

Spring term is about gardens

'Gardens in British Art in the 19th and 20th centuries' with tutor Susan Pownall starts on Tuesday January 2018.

This ten week class explores how gardens have been represented in British Art. It starts with a quick history of gardens from formal gardens to allotments, greenhouses to garden sheds as represented by various artists.

Remember, you can enrol online - go to www.wea.org.uk The course code for 'A History of Ideas' is C2224412 and for 'Gardens in British Art' C2224414.

If you have any question, please contact Lesley Naish on 01245 380837.

Useful telephone numbers

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

Age Concern Essex	01245 264499
Anglian Water, 24 hours	0800 919 155
Braintree District Council	01376 552525
Clean Team ring number above and ask for Customer Services	
Witham Area Office in Witham Library	
- for walk-in enquiries only	01376 519625
Churches	
St Andrew's (C of E), vicar	01245 380958
Methodist Church, minister	TBA
Catholic Church, Witham, priest	01376 512219
Citizens Advice Bureau Witham	0844 4994719
Drop-in sessions Mon/Tue/Thur/Fri 10am - 1pm	
Appointments only Thurs afternoon 1 - 4pm	
Doctors, health services	
Hatfield Peverel doctors' surgery	01245 380324
NHS - non-emergency helpline	111
Pharmacy, Hadfelda Square	01245 380130
Electricity - emergency	0800 7838838
Essex County Council	01245 492211
Essex & Suffolk Water 24 hours	0845 7820999
First Essex Buses Ltd	01245 293400
Gas - emergency	0800 111999
Harlequin Children's Centre	01376 535270
Free support and services for children under 5	
Hospitals	
Broomfield (A&E); St John's,	01245 362000
St Peter's, Maldon	
Libraries	
Hatfield Peverel	01245 380988
Tuesday, Thursday 1 - 5pm	
Wednesday, Saturday 9am - 1pm	
Witham	01376 519625
Police Non-emergency calls	101
Use 101 also for the local officer	
Emergency calls	999
Witham Police Station opening hours	
Monday - Saturday	12 noon to 6pm
Post Office	01245 382787
Railway Information	
National Express East Anglia	0845 6007245
National Rail Enquiries (24 hrs)	08457 484950
Registrar of Births, Marriages & Deaths	
Witham, by appointment only	01376 323463
Braintree, by appointment only	01376 320762

Relate	01245 258680
Samaritans (24 hours - toll free)	08457 909090
Schools	
St Andrew's Junior School	01245 380131
Hatfield Peverel Infant School	01245 380220
Hatfield Peverel Day Nursery	01245 382450
Tiger Tots Toddler Group	07886 021048
Charlotte Greaves	07527 763038
Social Services	0845 6037630
Community Agent for Hatfield Peverel	
Jan Hawkins	07540 720605
Village hall (after 7pm)	01245 381481

Let us know of useful services to add to this list

Hatfield Peverel Parish Council

Committees and working parties

Burial Ground Working Party (B)	
Country Park Focus Group (CP)	
Employment (EMP), External Audit Review (A)	
Finance and Budget (FB), Football Pavilion (F)	
General purposes (GP)	
Keith Bigden Memorial Ground User Group (KB)	
Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)	
Party in the Park (PiP), Planning (P), Traffic (T)	
Village Environment (E)	

Councillors (and their working parties)

Lisa Miller, Parish Clerk	01245 403071
parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk	
Les Priestley (Chair) (E/FG/NDP/P)	01245 380404
Mark Weale (Vice chair) (CE/FG/P/PiP)	01245 381726
George Boyd Ratcliff (CP/EMP/FG)	01245 380496
David Broddle (CP/E/FG/KB/P)	01245 382829
Suzanne Evans (EMP)	01245 382397
Kevin Gallifant	01245 381850
Simon Hinkley	01245 381847
Ted Munt (E/FG/NDP)	01245 381135
Linda Shaw (CP/P)	01245 382669
Diane Wallace (CE/CP/NDP/P)	01245 381485
District Councillors	
David Bebb	01245 381065
Daryn Hufton-Rees	07729 458757
County Councillor	
Derrick Louis	07918 721526



Fitch Close, new road name a fitting tribute to much loved teacher

All nine and ten year old pupils from St Andrew's Junior School in Hafield Peverel were invited to enter a competition to name the new 25-home development off St Andrews Road, a mixture of affordable rented homes and shared ownership tenures, which will be open by early summer 2018.

Nine year old Jasmine Hiom came out on top with her name for the new road - part of Greenfields Community Housing development - Fitch Close after Joyce Fitch, a former teacher at St Andrew's Primary School for 26 years, who died last year. Competitors were congratulated for their fantastic and imaginative ideas and for being so well-behaved on site.

All pupils from the school who entered the competition enjoyed the chance to sit on a digger, had a tour of the building site and learnt about health and safety. Debbie Mitchell, Greenfields' customer co-ordinator, believes it is important to get to know pupils and teachers at schools near under-construction developments.

Scout Group

For boys and girls 6 -18 years

The 1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group consists of four units; Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. All units are well subscribed and hold weekly meetings in the HQ in Church Road.

Don't forget to visit our website - www.hp-scouts.org.uk Our website is jam-packed with useful information for existing members and those seeking to enrol their young person in Scouting activities within the village.

Useful Contacts: Group Scout Leader: Nick Nicholas, 07841-597 977. Membership enquiries: Michelle Spicer, hpscoutgroup@gmail.com, 01245-380 630. HQ bookings: Debbie Fuller, copper_ben@hotmail.com, 07920 512471. Monthly newspaper collection: Jonathan Dormon, 01245 -382 981, jonathan.dormon@btinternet.com. Publicity: Suzanne Evans, 01245-382 397, info@boons-holidays.co.uk

Tickets for Maldon concert also available from Deborah Fraser in Hatfield Peverel 01245 523255 or 07585 665206 DeborahSFraser@hotmail.co.uk

citizens advice
Maldon & District

Concert

In aid of Maldon Citizens Advice

All Saints' Church, Maldon CM9 4PY
Friday 13th October at 7pm

Maldon Court School Choir

Chelmsford Male Voice Choir

All Saints' Handbell Ringers

Programme will include:-
Songs from Stage and Screen including *Les Misérables*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Billy Elliot* and *'Stronger Together'* by Gareth Malone.

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